LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

- 1) (Original) A cosmetic composition for creating a cosmetic coating having a metallic and multicolored iridescent appearance, comprising a liquid phase and a PVD aluminum pigment, wherein said PVD aluminum pigment has diffractive structures containing from approximately 5,000 to approximately 20,000 structural elements per cm and a metallic aluminum content of from 90 to 100 % by weight, based on the weight of the aluminum pigment, and is present in the cosmetic composition at a pigmentation level of from 0.05 to 5.0 % by weight, based on the total weight the cosmetic composition.
- 2) (Original) The cosmetic composition as defined in claim 1, characterized in that said aluminum pigment has from approximately 7,000 to approximately 15,000 structural elements per cm.
- 3) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in claim 1-or claim 2, characterized in that said cosmetic composition additionally contains at least one film-forming component and is a nail varnish.
- 4) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in claim 1 or claim 2, characterized in that said cosmetic composition additionally contains one or more waxes and is a lip gloss composition.
- 5) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in claim 3, characterized in that said film-forming component comprises cellulose nitrate having a molecular weight of more than 56,000 g/mol-and preferably more than 112,000 g/mol.

- 6) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in claim 3 or claim 5, characterized in that said film-forming component comprises cellulose nitrate.
- 7) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in <u>claim 3</u> any one of <u>claims 3, 5 and 6</u>,

characterized in that

said film-forming component comprises cellulose acetate butyrate having a molecular weight of preferably-more than 83,000 g/mol.

8) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in <u>claim 3</u> any one of <u>claims 3, 5, 6, and 7</u>,

characterized in that

said liquid phase is an organic solvent preferably selected from the group consisting of toluene, n-propyl acetate, isopropyl acetate, isopropyl alcohol, ethyl acetate, ethanol, glycol ether, n-butyl acetate, methyl proposol acetate, and mixtures thereof.

9) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in <u>claim 3</u> any one of <u>claims 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8</u>,

characterized in that

said cosmetic composition additionally contains at least one of a plasticizer and and/or a dispersing agent.

10) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in <u>claim 3</u> any one of <u>claims 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9</u>,

characterized in that

said cosmetic composition contains, as plasticizer, at least dibutyl phthalate, optionally together with saccharose acetate isobutyrate.

- 11) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in claim 9 or claim 10, characterized in that said cosmetic composition contains, as dispersing agent, at least one of bentonites and and/or polymeric urea.
- 12) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in <u>claim 3</u> any one of claims 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 11,

characterized in that

the aluminum pigment is present at a pigmentation level of from 0.1~% to 2.0~% by weight.

13) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in <u>claim 3</u> any one of claims 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12,

characterized in that

said cosmetic composition additionally contains at least one coloring agent.

- 14) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in claim 13, characterized in that said coloring agent is at least one of a colored pigment and/or and a dye.
- 15) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in <u>claim 3</u> any one of claims 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, and 14,

characterized in that

said diffractive structures are a reflection grating.

16) (Currently Amended) The composition as defined in claim 3 any one of claims 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15,

characterized in that

said PVD aluminum pigment has a layer thickness of from approximately 20 nm to approximately 140 nm and preferably from approximately 20 nm to approximately 100 nm.

- (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in claim 4, characterized in that said liquid phase additionally contains at least one of an oil and/or and a gel.
- (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in claim 4-or claim 17, characterized in that said cosmetic composition contains additives such as selected from the group consisting

of antioxidants, coloring agents, emulsifiers, vitamins, perfumes, and/or fillers and combinations thereof.

19) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in claim 17 or claim 18, characterized in that said oil is selected from the group consisting of castor oil, canola oil, lanoline oil, silicone oils, polybutylene, mineral oils, oleyl alcohol, isocetyl alcohol and esters including such as isopropyl myristate [[or]] and decyl oleate, and mixtures thereof.

20) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in <u>claim 4</u> any one of <u>claims 4, 17, 18, and 19</u>,

characterized in that

said wax is selected from the group consisting of carnauba wax, candelilla wax, ozocerite, ceresine wax, microcrystalline wax, synthetic waxes such as including the glycerin esters of C18 to C36 fatty acids, cetyl alcohol, stearyl alcohol, lanoline, beeswax, and mixtures thereof.

- (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in <u>claim 4</u> any one of <u>claims 4, 17, 18, 19, and 20</u>, characterized in that said cosmetic composition additionally contains at least one coloring agent.
- (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in claim 21, characterized in that said coloring agent is at least one of a colored pigment and/or and a dye.

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23) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in <u>claim 4</u> any one of <u>claims 4, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22</u>,

characterized in that

said cosmetic composition further contains one or more additives <u>selected from the group</u> consisting of such as perfume, antioxidants, light-stabilizing agents, or preservatives.

24) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in <u>claim 4</u> any one of <u>claims 4, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, and 23</u>,

characterized in that

said aluminum pigment is present at a pigmentation level of from 0.2 to 2.0 % by weight, based on the total weight of the cosmetic composition .

25) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in claim 4 any one of claims 4, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, and 24,

characterized in that

said diffractive structures are a reflection grating.

26) (Currently Amended) The cosmetic composition as defined in claim 4 any one of claims 4, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, and 25,

characterized in that

said PVD aluminum pigment has a layer thickness of from approximately 20 nm to approximately 140 nm and preferably from approximately 20 nm to approximately 100 nm.

27) (Currently Amended) An artificial fingernail,

characterized in that

said artificial fingernail is coated with a cosmetic composition as defined in <u>claim 3</u> any one of claims 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15.

Please add the following new claim:

28) (New) The cosmetic composition as defined in claim 8, wherein said organic solvent is selected from the group consisting of toluene, n-propyl acetate, isopropyl acetate, isopropyl alcohol, ethyl acetate, ethanol, glycol ether, n-butyl acetate, methyl proposol acetate, and mixtures thereof.

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